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7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
8 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
9 AT TACOMA

10 CHARLES DEAN,

11 Plaintiff,

12 v.

13 MICHAEL J. ASTRUE, Commissioner of  
14 Social Security,

Defendant.

CASE NO. C08-5112RJB-KLS

ORDER ADOPTING REPORT  
AND RECOMMENDATION

15 This matter comes before the Court on the Report and Recommendation of the Honorable  
16 Karen L. Strombom, United States Magistrate Judge. Dkt. 19. The Court has reviewed the  
17 relevant documents and the remainder of the file herein.

18 Plaintiff filed his Complaint (Dkt. 1) on February 21, 2008, seeking review of an  
19 administrative law judge's ("ALJ") decision to deny Plaintiff's application for disability insurance  
20 benefits. In his opening brief (Dkt. 14), Plaintiff raised four general issues in arguing that the  
21 ALJ's decision should be reversed and remanded.

22 Magistrate Judge Karen L. Strombom issued her Report and Recommendation (Dkt. 19)  
23 on August 29, 2008. In the report and recommendation, Judge Strombom thoroughly addressed  
24 the four general issues raised by Plaintiff, and recommended that the Court find that the ALJ  
25 properly concluded that Plaintiff was not disabled, and affirm the ALJ's decision. Dkt. 19, at 16.

26 Plaintiff filed his Objections to the Report and Recommendation (Dkt. 20) on September  
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1 18, 2008. In his objections, Plaintiff challenges Judge Strombom's recommendation with respect  
2 to all four issues. Dkt. 20.

3 The Court, having reviewed the file and pertinent documents, concurs with the reasoning  
4 and findings of Judge Strombom's report and recommendation. The issues that Plaintiff raised in  
5 his objections were thoroughly addressed and properly analyzed in Judge Strombom's report and  
6 recommendation.

7 Therefore, the Court does hereby find and ORDER:

- 8 (1) The Court adopts the Report and Recommendation (Dkt. 19);  
9 (2) The ALJ properly concluded that Plaintiff was not disabled, and the decision of the  
10 ALJ is **AFFIRMED**; and  
11 (3) The Clerk is directed to send copies of this Order to Plaintiff, counsel for  
12 Defendant, and to the Hon. Karen L. Strombom.

12 DATED this 14<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2008.

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15 ROBERT J. BRYAN  
United States District Judge